

## **Broward County Board of County Commissioners Fort Lauderdale, FL**

**Project Title** Assets to Build Community Project

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Grant Amount \$130,000

Nonfederal Support \$457,200

**Project Period** September 2004 – September 2009

**Highlights** The Assets to Build Community Project (ABC) will offer IDAs as

well as financial and asset-specific training for 30 participants. The program will match IDA savings at a rate of \$2 to \$1 so that participants may save for any of the three Assets for Independence asset goals: a first home, post-secondary education, or small business

capitalization.

The program's collaborative partners will provide an array of services and resources to the project including case management, financial literacy training, Earned Income Tax Credit public awareness campaigns, shared fiscal and programmatic oversight, cost share and

supplemental funding, and continuous resource/partner development. The collaborative structure incorporates existing financial literacy programs, community coalitions, and use of a newly-developed countywide information system technology for case management data

collection.

**Target Population** Low-income working individuals and families in Broward County,

Florida, especially TANF recipients and family support and

workforce training agency clients.

**Grantee/Collaborative Description** The two lead agencies for the ABC Project collaborative are the

Broward County Board of County Commissioners and the Urban League. Other major partners include Broward County's Workforce One-Stop Career Centers and other employment education and training offices. Bank Atlantic will serve as the financial institution

partner for the project.

The ABC Project was developed by the Broward Wealth Building Coalition, a collaborative of over 20 nonprofit, business, quasi-

governmental, and governmental organizations.